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Letter from Ann Gilrye Muir to David Muir, 1861 Dec 1

Ann Gilrye Muir

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you have much need to
take care of your self &
is there any meetings in
the district where you
are you will know
by this time —
is there any change in
your Post Office address
let us know when
you write —

from your
affectionate Mother

[1] Dec 9th 1861

Dear David

For all the time
you have been from home
you have never wrote one
word to me, it seems stran-
ge want to know if you are
well and I want to know
if you like teaching I hope
you do, I hope you have made
the best of your time at the
university. I understand you
are coming home after your
school closes, your father has
given John Reid the Badger hill
eighty of land next yours and
David Taylor has been here
inquiring if your father would

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join forces with him your father told him that land was yours, so you will likely get help with your fencing when you come - you will see by John's note that some changes have taken place here lately none of us like the idea of living in Portage City but we expect to move there in a week - if Mary^t is able to ride this length John Reid is hired to take care of the ^{farm} in your absence, Charlie Reid⁺ is teaching in Graham's school this

winter two of Mrs. Smith's horses have died lately of inflammation, one of each span and she was so ill afraid it - you sold one hundred bushels of wheat last week at Portage. There never was more trouble with the District School affairs than there is now - Mary^t is much surprised you have not wrote to her - I hope you will write soon to us all - I don't think you will like to board round,